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Notes of the Month.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the South-East Wales Unitarian Society will be held at the Pontypridd Unitarian Church, on Thursday, September 20th, 1928, at 4.30 p.m.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Quarterly Meetings of the Society will be held at the Brotherhood Church, Mountain Ash, on Monday, October 8th, 1928.

HEN DY CWRDD, TRECYNON, ABERDAR.

Gweinidog—Parch. E. R. Dennis, 2 Alma Street, Trecynon.

Ysgrifenyddion—Arianol: Mr. D. R. Davies, 7 Cledwyn Terrace.
Gohebol: Mr. John Thomas, 19 Rose Terrace.

Trysorydd—Syr David R. Llewelyn, Barwnig.

Arweinydd y Gan—Mr. John Thomas.

Organydd—Mr. D. R. Davies.

Organydd cynorthwyol—Mr. J. Ivor Davies.

Gofalydd y Blodau—Miss Williams, Bryngwyn.

Dosbarthwr "Yr Ymofynydd"—Mr. J. Euryn Davies.

Dosbarthwr y "Christian Life"—Mr. John Davies.

Dosbarthwr y Calendar—Mr. Idris Davies.

Trefn y Gwasanaeth: Boreu Sul, 11; Hwyr 6.

Ysgol Sul, Dau o'r gloch.
Arolygwr—Mr. T. J. Lewis. *Ysgrifenydd*—Mrs. M. J. Davies.
Trysorydd—Mr. D. R. Davies. *Trysorydd y Bank*—Mr. J. Ivor Davies.

Urdd y Gwragedd, bob yn ail nos Fercher, yn y festri.
Llywyddes—Mrs. E. R. Dennis. *Ysgrifenyddes*—Mrs. D. R. Davies.

Cymdeithas Ddiwylliadol, nos Lun, am 7.30.
Llywydd—Mr. T. J. Lewis. *Is-Lywyddes*—Mrs. B. James.
Ysgrifenyddion—Meistri J. Thomas ac I. Davies.
Trysorydd—Mr. J. Euryn Davies.

Gobeithlu.
Ceidwad y Capel—Mrs. Pittard, 1a Alma Street.
Arweinydd—Mr. John Thomas. *Cyfeilyddes*—Miss Mildred Howells.
Cynhelir gwasanaeth Saesneg nos Sul cyntaf o bob mis.
Gweinyddir y Cymundeb, bore Sul, Medi 16eg.

Ar y 30ain o Orphenaf cynhaliwyd te blynyddol yr Ysgol Sul; yn anffodus, anymunol iawn oedd y tywydd, ac o ganlyniad gorfuwyd cynhal y te yn y festri yn lle mynd i un o gaeau Maesgwyn fel arfer. Bu hyn yn achos lleihau y rhif, er hyny mwynhawyd yn dda.

Dydd Mercher Awst 1af, unwyd mewn priodas Miss Ada E. Harrison a Mr. David A. Hulett, y ddau o Drecynon. Gweinyddwyd gan y Parch. E. R. Dennis.

Bydd pob Undodwr mi gredaf yn barod i ymuno gyda ni i estyn llongyfarchiad i weinidog parchus yr Hen-Dy-Cwrdd, ar ei lwyddiant yn dysgyblu ac arwain Parti Dramodol, i Trecynon, i fyddugoliaeth yn Eisteddfod Genhedlaethol, Treorchy. Yn uwch yn elo eto yw ein dymuniad.

HIGHLAND PLACE UNITARIAN CHURCH, MONK STREET, ABERDARE.

Minister—Rev. CONSTANCE HARRIS, 'Beechwood," Abernant Road.

Chairman—Mr. W. Mackintosh, "Brooklands," The Grove.
Treasurer—Mr. Evan Jones, Teilo House, Monk Street.
Secretary—Mr. J. L. Rowlands, Bryn-Gwyn, Abernant Road.
Organist—Miss S. George, 2 Graig Isaf.
Superintendent Sunday School—Mr. Morgan, Trevor Street.
Treasurer—Miss Gwladys Andrews, 10 Graig Place.
Secretary—Mr. Matthews, 13 Catherine Street.
Chairman Social Union—Mr. James Berry, Mill Street.
Secretary Social Union—Mr. D. Mackintosh, 19, Stuart Street.
Treasurer Social Union—Mr. H. Jenkins, 9, The Grove.

SUNDAY SERVICES, 11 a.m., and 6 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 2.30 p.m.

SOCIAL UNION, Thursdays, 7 p.m. CHILDREN'S MEETING, Fridays, 6 p.m.

Thought for the month.

"Neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing."

On the 16th inst., the Rev. W. J. Phillips will officiate at our Church both morning and evening and we hope good congregations will come together on that day.

The Annual Outing of the Sunday School and Church took place on Saturday, July 7th, when a party of about 85 children, parents and friends were conveyed by bus to the favourite rendezvous—Barry Island. The slight drizzle which fell part of the day did not discourage the happy company who had come with the determination to make the most of their one day in the year. Sea-bathing was indulged in by many, and cricket and other games gave zest to a most enjoyable day.

On Bank Holiday the children were entertained to tea in the Schoo'room and a very pleasant evening was spent in playing the games organized for them by the adult friends.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Mary Naomi Jones, once a member of our Church at Pentre, but who had long been a resident at Aberdare. Mrs. Jones passed away in her sleep on Sunday, August 5th, after a long illness. To her husband. son and daughter we extend our sincere sympathy.

On Sunday, the 2nd inst., after the close of the morning service a Communion service for children will be conducted by the Rev. Constance Harris.

The Rev. George Neighbour, Mountain Ash, will occupy the pulpit on the evening of Sunday the 30th inst., and on the following Sunday, 7th October, the Harvest Services will be held when the Rev. R. J. Hall, M.A., will officiate.

THE OLD MEETING HOUSE, PARK STREET, BRIDGEND.

Lay Minister—Mr. E. C. Peeling.

Chairman—Mr. C. Williams, 13 Brackla Street.
Treasurer—Mr. H. Morgan, 28 Cowbridge Road.
Secretary—Mr. A. W. Harvey, 15 Park Street.
Organist—Mr. T. Hopkin, 6 Elder Street.
Assistant Organist—Mrs. James, 12 Newcastle Hill.
Sunday School Secretary—Miss L. Gould, 8 Highland Place.
Caretaker—Mrs. Matthews, 2 Llynvi Street.

SERVICE, 6.30 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 2.30 p.m.

Sidesmen for September.—Messrs. E. Williams and A. W. Harvey.

Flower Rota for September.—2nd, Mrs. E. C. Peeling; 9th, Mrs. A. W. Harvey; 16th, Mrs. M. James: 23rd, Miss L. Gould; 30th, Mrs. T. Hopkins.

It gave us much satisfaction a few Sundays ago to hear Mr. Peeling thank the members of our congregation for their regularity at worship during the year. The good weather we have had of late has kept but very few of our people away from the Sunday Service. Mr. Peeling must find it a great pleasure to minister to a congregation that shows its appreciation of him in this way, and is earnest enough to put pleasure aside in order to worship together on Sunday evenings. That is the reason our church is gaining ground, slowly, it is true, but surely.

Owing to Mr. Peeling being away for a well-earned rest, our service on Sunday, July 29th, was conducted by Mr. A. W. Harvey. On Sunday, August 5th, Mr. John Lewis, conducted the services. This is not the first time that Mr. Lewis who is a Congregationalist, has helped us in this way. We are grateful to him and we are glad of his promise to come again when we need him.

A few of our lady members were having a meeting, all to themselves, near the Chapel gate, on Sunday, August 12th. Perhaps I ought not to mention it but it seems a pity to keep a secret of this kind. While passing them I heard a whisper concerniug a social or concert to be held in connection with the Chapel. When is it to take place and who will be taking part? Will our men folk be privileged to share in the effort, or are we to look on passively? The ladies seem determined to make things go with a swing now that they have banded themselves together. We are looking forward to great happenings, and trust that we may be permitted to share in the work. If the ladies mean to keep these privileges to themselves, then we men must put our thinking caps on, and go one better. This is a healthy rivalry and is all to the good of our cause at Bridgend.

We welcome Mrs. Underhill again to our services, and we are glad that she has quite recovered from her illness. Mrs. Pitt is still gaining and we hope to see her soon in her accustomed place among us.

Our Chapel Outing will take place on Wednesday, September 5th. We will journey by Charabanc to Malvern, and we are all looking forward to a very enjoyable day together.

THE WEST GROVE UNITARIAN CHURCH, NEWPORT ROAD, CARDIFF.

Minister—Rev. H. H. Ceiron Jones, B.A., 7 Colum Road, Cathays Park.

Chairman—Mr. J. Rhys Evans, The Bank House, Whitchurch Road.
Treasurer—Mr. C. E. Edwards, 56 Palace Road, Llandaff.
Secretary—Mr. R. T. Hutchinson, 33 Morlais Street, Roath Park.
Financial Secretary—Mr. T. I. Millward, 199 Cathedral Road.
Organist—Mr. Gwynne Davies, A.R.C.O., 107 Allensbank Road.
Caretaker—Mrs. Robson, 12 Sun Street.

Committee—Mrs. Bement, Miss Holloway, Miss Mogridge, Messrs. J. B. Clee, C. E. Edwards, D. Evans, J. R. Evans, R. T. Hutchinson, C. E. H. James, T. I. Millward, A. E. Orchard and the Minister.

Trustees—Messrs. R. W. Atkinson, A. Ellis, C. H. Legassick, A. R. Phelps, E. S. Seaton, G. Ll. Thomas, J.P., P. A. Thompson, C. Thompson, and the British and Foreign Unitarian Association.

Sunday Services. 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Sunday School, 3 p.m.

Wardens for September—Morning: Messrs. J. Rhys Evans and R. T. Hutchinson; Evening: Messrs. H. J. Hayward and T. I. Millward.

Flowers for September—2nd, Mrs. E. James. 9th, Miss Collingwood. 16th, Mrs. R. T. Hutchinson. 23rd, Harvest Festival Services. 30th, Mrs. A. C. Fox.

"Our Founders here sought to be free in their religion and religious in their freedom."—W. G. Tarrant.

NOTES OF THE MONTH.

The "Inquirer" and the Calendar may be had from Mr. C. E. H. James, at 2d. per copy.

A meeting of the Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 11th at 7 p.m.

The Women's League will meet on Tuesday, September 11th. at 3.30 p.m., when the service will be conducted by Mrs. Collinge. The Sewing Circle will meet each Tuesday at 3 p m., with a Social Tea at 5.

On Sunday, September 9th, our offertories will be in aid of the Cardiff Royal Infirmary.

Our Harvest Festival will be held on Sunday, September 23th. when special music will be rendered by the choir. Gifts of fruit, vegetables and flowers will be gratefully received on the Saturday afternoon. Any help with the work also during the late afternoon will be very welcome. It is hoped that this year the task will not be left to a few as it sometimes is.

Now that the holiday season is almost over and the Winter Session at hand I appeal to all to make their plans early, and arrange fixtures as far ahead as possible in order to avoid friction or disappointment.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

Our Church Anniversary Services will be held on Sunday, October 14th.

RETROSPECTIVE.

DEATH—John Thomas Legassick, aged 84 years, died August 4th, and interred in the Cardiff Cemetery August 7th. He was a brother of the late William Legassick, and in his early days a member of the Treville Street Unitarian Church, Plymouth. We extend our sympathy to the mourning relatives.

We were pleased to welcome the Rev. Helen Phillips of Birmingham to conduct our Services on Sunday, August 19th, while we are also grateful to Mr. Charles Carpenter for taking our services on Sunday, August 5th. The Minister returned to take the services on Sunday, August 12th.

PARK-Y-VELVET AND COLLEGE CHAPEL, MANSEL ST., CARMARTHEN.

Minister in Charge—Principal J. PARK DAVIES, M.A., B.D.

Secretary—Mr. D. Emlyn Davies, 103 Lammas Street, Carmarthen.
Treasurer—Mr. W. A. Evans, 8 Priory Street, Carmarthen.
Calendar Secretary—Mr. T. L. Jones, The Presbyterian College, Carmarthen.
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RELIGIOUS SERVICES, 6.30 p.m.

HEN DY CWRDD, OLD CHAPEL STREET, CEFN COED.

Minister—SUPPLIES.

Secretary—Mr. Lewis Edwards, 53 High Street, Cefn Coed.
Assistant Secretary—Mr. Emanuel Lewis, Pontycapel Road, Cefn Coed.
Treasurer—Mr. Thomas Lewis, "Wern Coed," Pontycapel Road, Cefn.

Chairman—Mr. Thomas Lewis.
Vice-Chairman—Mr. David Evans.
Precentor—Mr. L. Edwards.
Organist—Mrs. L. Edwards, A.T.C.L.

Sunday School Secretary—Miss Margery Davies, 2 Park Villas, Cefn.
Sunday School Superintendent—Mr. Towy Morris.
Sunday School Treasurer—Mr. D. R. Lewis.
Band of Hope Superintendent—Mr. David Evans.

Distributors of "Christian Life" and "Ymofynnydd"—Miss L. Harris and Miss Doris Simon.
Sunday School Bank Cashier—Mrs. J. R. Evans.
Calendar Secretary—Mr. Hathren Jones, 5 Holford Street, Cefn.

SUNDAY SERVICES, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 2.15 p.m.

Stewards for September.—Messrs. Emanuel Lewis and Tom Chambers.

Our Sunday School Outing took place on the 23rd July, when over 200 persons were conveyed by charabanc to Barry Island. The weather was fine, and an enjoyable time was spent.

Mr. D. T. Lewis (now on vacation from he Aberystwyth University College) has conducted a number of our Sunday morning services, which were very much appreciated.

We are glad to have with us once again over the August holidays, two very faithful members in Miss Carrie Davies and Mr. Willie Simons who are home on holidays. We were also glad to see some of our old friends who attended our services on Sunday, July 29th

We are indeed pleased that Mr. Lewis Edwards is making a good recovery from his severe illness. We trust that soon he will be quite well and active with us again.

DOWLAIS UNITARIAN CHURCH, WHITE STREET, DOWLAIS.

Closed.

Secretary—Mrs. L. Jones, 10 Overton Street, Dowlais.

UNITARIAN CHAPEL, THOMAS ST., MERTHYR TYDFIL.

Minister.—Supplies.
Chairman—Mr Herbert Jones, Milton Place.
Treasurer—Mr. G. Ll. Thomas, J.P., Maesycunrig.
Secretary—Mr. J. A. Whiting, 52 Pontmorlais.
Organist—Miss Jenkins, Nantygwenith Street.
Caretaker—Mrs. Jones. 22 Tramroadside.

Service.—Sunday Morning, 11 o'clock ; Sunday School 2.30 p m.

Mr. Cyril V. Lewis will occupy our pulpit until the end of August, and our congregation has appreciated his services during the two months he has been with us. We will watch his progress in college with interest, feeling assured that he will do good work, and prove a useful minister of our denomination.

Our Annual Sunday School Picnic at Porthcawl was favoured with a bright summer day and all who went with us were agreed that it was a day to be

remembered. Our thanks are due to the Rev. W. J. and Mrs. Phillips and the friends at Newton for placing the school room at our disposal and for the assistance given in providing refreshments for our party.

We regret that our good friend Mr. Herbert Jones has been seriously unwell during the last few weeks and we trust that he will speedily recover his usual health again.

BROTHERHOOD CHURCH (UNITARIAN), NAPIER ST., MOUNTAIN ASH.

Minister—Rev. George Neighbour, 29 Gorsedd Street.

Chairman of Committee—Mr. L. Bevan.
Secretary—Mrs. K. Beard, 67 Thomas Street.
Treasurer—Mr. James Jones, 35 Gwern-ifor Street.
Organist—Mr. A. T. Beard.
Treasurer of Women's Guild—Mrs. R. Card.
Secretary Sunday School—Miss Neighbour, 29 Gorsedd Street.

Sunday Services, 6 p.m. Sunday School, 2.30 p.m.

Women's Guild, Wednesdays, 6.30. Girl's Guild, Wednesdays, 5.30.

Band of Hope, Mondays.

Our Sunday School Anniversary, held on Sunday, July 22nd, proved to be one of the most successful we have had. The entire programme, afternoon and evening, was given by our own scholars. It was a real children's day. The choir rendered their two-part music most efficiently. Quite an unusual number of scholars gave recitations, all good and well done. Mr. W. J. Jones, conductor, and Mr. A. T. Beard, organist, are to be congratulated on the excellent results. Miss M. Nicholas and Mr. W. Thomas were presidents, afternoon and evening respectively. On the following Saturday, July 28th, about 90 scholars and parents spent a very enjoyable day at Barry. Fine weather favoured them, and the journey by road—in chars-a-banc—was much enjoyed by all, especially by the children.

Accommodation could not be found for all at our Anniversary, and so it was decided to give the services again on Sunday, August 12th, and these were well attended and very successful.

Summertime is a 'close season' in church work, but we are already preparing for the Autumn and Winter work. We are looking forward to another visit of the Rev. Constance Harris to conduct our Harvest Festival on Sunday, September 30th. We are also looking forward to our Church Anniversary on Sunday, October 7th, and the Monday following, when the Quarterly Meetings of the South East Wales Unitarian Society will be held in our Church. It will be a pleasure to us all to welcome the Society to Mountain Ash once again.

NOTTAGE GENERAL BAPTIST (UNITARIAN) CHURCH.

Minister—Rev. Wm. J. Phillips, Eryl, Newton, Porthcawl.
Secretary—Mr. F. H. Roberts, 24 Queen's Avenue, Porthcawl.
Treasurer—Mr. D. Price, Westhaven, Nottage.
Sunday School Superintendent—Mr. J. T. Williams, Newton.
Sunday School Secretary—Mr. Waldo E. Parry, Maesygraig, Newton.
Calendar Secretary—Miss M. Williams, Globe Cottages, Newton, Porthcawl.

Sunday Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday School, 2.30 p.m.

Flower rota for September: 2nd, Mrs. Leigh, Windyridge, Porthcawl. 9th, Miss Mildred John, New Road. 16th, Miss Margaret David, New Road. 23rd, Mrs. Dan Hopkin, Hookland Road. 30th, Mrs. Evans, Nottage.

Sidesmen for September: Mr. J. John (downstairs). Mr. J. T. Williams (upstairs).

Communion service will be held at close of ordinary service on Sunday evening, September 2nd.

The morning services from July 22nd to August 12th were conducted by Messrs. Gwilym Williams, D. A. Thomas, F. H. Roberts and the Minister. Attendances at these services have been somewhat above the average, and we have been pleased to welcome a few visitors who joined heartily in them. The evening services during the same period were conducted by the Minister and Mrs. Phillips. There was a slackness in the attendances during the first three Sundays, partly unavoidable owing to some of our regular attendants being away on holiday, but on the last Sunday of the period named there was a large congregation, amongst whom we were delighted to find friends from the Unitarian Churches at Handsworth (Birmingham), Cefn-Coed, Cardiff and Pentre. Our Minister preached at Pentre on Sunday Evening, July 29th.

It was a great pleasure to us to place our schoolroom at the disposal of the Merthyr friends when their Sunday School took their outing to Porthcawl on July 21st. The visitors were favoured with an exceptionally fine and warm summer day, and had a most enjoyable time. It was good to meet once again such old friends as Messrs. Gomer Thomas, D. O. Evans, Herbert Jones, F. A. Whiting and others.

GLANRHONDDA UNITARIAN CHURCH, HIGH STREET, PENTRE, TREORCHY.

Minister—SUPPLIES.

Chairman of Church Committee—Mr. Geo. Thomas, 24 Dumfries St., Treorchy.
Treasurer—Mr. Geo. Payne, H.S.B., Neuhof, Upton Ter., Penygraig, Glam.
Secretary—Mr. Stanley Woodward, 16 Whitefield Street, Ton Pentre.
Sunday School Superintendent—Mr. Geo. Thomas, 24 Dumfries St., Treorchy.
Sunday School Secretary—Mr. Howard Payne, Neuhof, Upton Ter., Penygraig.
Verger—Mr. C. Emmanuel. *Warden*—Mrs. L. Davies.
Women's League Secretary—Mrs. C. Woodward, 16 Whitefield St., Ton Pentre.
Women's League Treasurer—Mrs. L. Davies, 18 Madeline Street, Ton Pentre.

SERVICE—SUNDAY EVENING, 6.15 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 2.30 p.m.

On July 21st we went by charabanc for our Annual Outing to Porthcawl. The weather favoured us and the arrangements in the care of Mr. Howard Payne and Mr. George Thomas were perfect, so that we all had a most enjoyable time, returning tired, tanned, and happy. Old and young entered whole-heartedly into the fun, and games of various kinds we indulged in, while others gave themselves to fishing and bathing. Our thanks are due to the ladies who provided a plentiful supply of food, to Mr. George Payne who spared no effort to make it a day of real happiness for everybody, and to Mr. George Thomas and Mr. Howard Payne for the excellent arrangements they had made for us. The children, who were our first care on this day, had a royal time.

We were all glad to have the Rev. H. H. Ceiron Jones, B.A., with us on July 22nd. After a powerful sermon he administered the Communion, giving a short address on the true meaning of the service. Also on July 29th, we were glad to welcome the Rev. W. J. Phillips of Nottage, to conduct our evening service as Minister under the Dr. Williams Trust. Mr. Salvidge conducted our service on the 8th, and Mr. Howard Payne deputized for Miss George on the 15th. We are grateful for the willing and able service of all our good friends.

As our Harvest Festival is drawing near we hope our gardening friends will not forget their gifts. We like to remind them in good time.

Our thanks are due to Mr. George Payne and Mr. D. M. Thomas who provided hospitality for our visiting ministers.

UNITARIAN CHURCH, MORGAN STREET, PONTYPRIDD.

Minister – Supplies.

Secretary—Mr. Angus McTavish, 7 Merthyr Road, Pontypridd.
Treasurer—Mr. John Lewis, Tophill, Pontypridd.
Organist—Mr. Benjamin Morgan.
Secretary Women's League—Miss E. Williams, Hawthorn, Pontypridd.
Secretary Band of Hope—Mrs. John Lewis, Tophill, Pontypridd.
Secretary Young People's League—Mr. Owen Davies, 13, The Avenue, Pontypridd.

SERVICES—SUNDAY MORNING CLASS at 11 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL at 2.30 p.m.
EVENING SERVICE at 6 p.m.

Thought for the month.

"There is no liberty save wisdom and self-control. Liberty is within, not without. It is each man's own affair."

The Annual Sunday School Outing this year took place at Portheawl on July 21st, when about fifty, including a number of adults, were present. The journey to and fro by chars-a-banc through the beautiful vale of Glamorgan was much appreciated. The refreshments provided at the Coney Beach Restaurant, and the Sports indulged in by old and young on the sands were thoroughly enjoyed. Some members of the Highland Place and Merthyr Churches were also present and materially assisted in organising games. Special thanks are due to the Rev. Constance Harris for making the arrangements.

Our Guild members are arranging a ramble on Saturday, the 18th inst., from Nant Garw over the hills to Tongwynlais, and given favourable weather an enjoyable time is assured.

Mr. Cyril Lewis has been conducting a most interesting series of services, and is greatly encouraged by the improved attendance. The subjects so far have been "The Problem of Evil"; The Message of Francis Thompson"; The meaning of the hymn, "Lead, kindly Light."

We are glad as a congregation to know that our loved friend, Mrs. John Lewis, is steadily improving in health, and we hope to find her fully recovered when she returns from Harlech. She is obliged to take things quietly for some time, and has decided to relinquish her position as our organist, which she has held since her marriage. We feel deeply grateful to Mrs. Lewis for this long continued service so ably rendered, and indeed for the faithfulness and loyal activity which she has shown in every department of our church life. She has been a true leader among us, and we know that we still have her unerring counsel and devoted friendship. Mr. Benjamin Morgan has very kindly promised to take her place at the organ.

UNITARIAN CHURCH, HIGH STREET, SWANSEA.

Minister—Rev. R. J. HALL, M.A., Mirador Crescent, Uplands.
Secretary—Mr. F. T. Symons, 51 Kinley Street, St. Thomas.
Treasurer—Mr. J. B. John, 106 Terrace Road.
Calendar Secretary—Mr. W. Harris.

SUNDAY SERVICES. 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 3 p.m.

Flowers for the Month.—Sept. 2nd, Mrs. Lewis. Sept. 9th, Mrs. Lloyd Jones. Sept. 16th, Miss Harris. Sept. 23rd, Mrs. J. B. John. Sept. 30th, Mrs. Owen.
SUNDAY SERMONS.—Sept 2nd, "The Survival of Faith"; "A New Religious Persecution." Sept. 9th, "The Resurrection of Hope"; "Schemes and the Man." Sept. 16th, "The Beginning of Trust"; "Is Religious Toleration a Curse?" Sept. 23rd, "Charity or Love!"; "The Tyranny of the Catchword." Sept. 30th, 'God in the Heart"; "Shovelling out the Pauper."

TUESDAY SERMONS.—Sept. 4th, "Entertaining an Angel." Sept. 11th, "Sour Grapes" Sept. 18th, 'Judging by Sample." Sept. 25th, "Modern Idols."

WOMENS' LEAGUE.—The League will resume its meetings on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 5th, at 3 p.m. A full attendance is requested in order that a prompt start may be made with the winter's work.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE.—This Committee will meet at 8 p.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 5th, in the Vestry to make all arrangements for the usual weekly socials, and to receive suggestions for other winter activities. A full attendance is requested.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The attendance at the Sunday School has shown an appreciable increase lately. For this we are grateful. We feel however that there are more parents in the Church who could send their children to school who do not do so. We have something to teach. If you appreciate the services in the Church let your children see whether or not they appreciate the services in the Sunday School. 3 p m., every Sunday is the time.

HOLIDAY FUND.—In order to ensure that none may be devoid of a holiday next year who can secure one at our Holiday Homes in the Derbyshire Peak District, a fund has been opened If you commence now with 1/3 per week the total expense of your holiday for a week, including rail fare, will have been subscribed in the year. The treasurer is Mrs. Maloney, from whom cards may be obtained.

COMMUNION SERVICE.—On Sunday morning, September 2nd, after the usual service, a Communion Service will be held. The attendance at the last two services was unusually high. Members and friends are asked to make a special effort to be present at that service.

AN APPEAL TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS.—Now that the holiday season is over please see that the drop in our collections, due to the holidays, is made good. Otherwise the work of the Church will be hindered. It must always be borne in mind that since the abolition of membership subscriptions your voluntary offertory is our main source of free income.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY.—Owing to the fact that the Sunday School Anniversary was held on the Sunday on which collections for Swansea Hospital are usually taken, the Committee have had to postpone those collections. On Sunday, September 2nd, after both services, a Retiring Collection will be taken on behalf of Swansea Hospital. Please make it a record collection for our congregation.

WICK GENERAL BAPTIST (UNITARIAN) CHAPEL.

Lay Minister—Mr. J. F. LING, 4 Jenkins Street, Bridgend.

Secretary—Mr. David Beale, Pencareg, Wick.
Treasurer—Mr. E. Williams, Broughton Shop, Wick.
Organist—Miss Annie Hill, Little West House, Wick.

SERVICE—SUNDAY EVENING, 6 p.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 2.30 p.m.

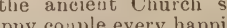
Since our last notes the Sunday School Annual Outing has taken place The journey to Barry Island was made in buses, and although the morning was very wet and anything but inviting, quite a good number availed themselves of the opportunity to spend a day at the sea side with the children. By the time we had reached our destination the rain had ceased and the rest of the day was fine, enabling the children to enjoy the pleasures and sports provided, and the adults to journey to many places of interest and admire the delighful views from from various points of vantage. Lunch and tea were provided at "The Dorothy" Café. At 8 p.m. the homeward journey commenced, and all arrived safely, tired, but happy, with sweet memories of a perfect day.

Marriage.—At the Old Meeting House, Bridgend, on Saturday, August 18th, Margaret Mary Beatrice (Maggie) Jenkins, the youngest daughter of the late Mr. William Jenkins, to Frederick George Austin, the Wick Minister officiating. There are two things in connection with this marriage that I should like to emphasize—first, that it is a matter of much comfort and encouragement that the young bride did not forget her old Church and Sunday School, or her

Minister who had taught her in the days of her childhood and watched her grow up into womanhood. She sought the blessing of her Church and the help of her Minister to send her forth upon this new and great adventure. Secondly, I wish to acknowledge the ready manner in which the Committee placed the Old Meeting House at our disposal for the service, and to thank the ladies who so kindly supplied the flowers to make the ancient Church so beautiful for the occasion. We all join in wishing the happy couple every happiness and prosperity, and pray that their way may be the way of pleasantness and all their paths the paths of peace. They are making their home at Pyle.

We are glad to record that that Mr. Vernon Hill and Mr. Thomas Williams have recovered from their recent indisposition. They have been suffering from sun-stroke. We are sorry to say that our aged and esteemed Secretary is through infirmity no longer able to attend service. May he be comforted in the knowledge that he has our thoughts and prayers.

Some of our people are very fortunate in having exceptionally long holidays this year, judging from their continual absence from Church! Please remember that wet or fine your Minister is in his place and would be very much helped if you were in your accustomed places on Sunday evenings.



LAY PREACHERS.

Mr. C. Carpenter, 118 Marlborough Road, Roath, Cardiff. Mr. J. W. Davies, 44a Harriet Street, Cathays, Cardiff. Mr. W. R. Evans, Cardiff Road, Aberaman. Miss A. G. George, Graig Isaf, Aberdare. Mr. Howard Payne, Neuhof, Upton Terrace, Penygraig. Mr. Reginald Salvidge, 41 Kenry Street, Treherbert.

Unitarian Students at the Presbyterian College, Carmarthen.

Mr. T. Jones, Mr. C. V. Lewis, Mr. Marles Thomas.

We extend our hearty congratulations to the Rev. E. R Dennis on his success with the Trecynon Dramatic Society at the Welsh National Eisteddfod at Treorchy.

Church Histories.

HEN DY CWRDD, CEFN COED.

Our story begins with Blaencanaid Farm on the mountain between Merthyr and Aberdare, where a few Dissenters met secretly for worship as early as 1620. After the defeat of the Royalist Army by Cromwell in 1645, they enjoyed a brief period of religious liberty, only to be driven into hiding again with the return of Charles II. With the passing of the Five Mile Act in 1665, we read of travelling Dissenting Preachers at Blaengwrach and the Neath Valley, and visiting the Dissenters of the Merthyr district. After the passing of the Toleration Act in 1689, these early champions of religious liberty assembled openly at Cwmyglo Farm on the Eastern slope of the Aberdare and Merthyr mountain, and in 1690 we read of a Dissenting Church there. It is generally acknowledged that this is the oldest Non-conformist Church foundation in Wales. In 1732 there were two ministers in charge of the congregation at Cwmyglo, the Rev. James Davies holding Calvinistic views and the Rev. Richard Rees avowedly Armenian in his views. The latter seceded with a goodly company of followers from Cwmyglo and established themselves at Cefn Coed, building our first Church, the oldest Nonconformist Church at Cefn, in 1747. Its name like that of most of our other Open Trust Churches was simply "Ty Cwrdd," Meeting House. The Rev.

Richard Rees (1709—1749), who was the founder of our cause here and our first minister was a native of Merthyr, trained at the Presbyterian College, Carmarthen, and ordained at Cwmyglo. He died in 1749 at the early age of 40 years after a ministry of two years at Cefn Coed. The Rev. Philip Charles succeeded him and ministered for 41 years until 1790. Next came the Rev. Thomas Davies (1759—1832), who also laboured for the long period of 42 years. On his death the Rev Daniel Davies, a retired minister, undertook the oversight of the church until a new minister could be appointed, which was done in 1837. By this time religious thought had grown out of Arminianism and Arianism, until at the time of the new minister the Rev. Owen Evans, the congregation was avowedly Unitarian.

The Rev. Owen Evans (1808–1865) was minister from 1837 to 1865. He was an able preacher, a successful schoolmaster, and a most prominent figure in the public life of Cefn Coed, during his time. Hen Dy Cwrdd had a succession of able ministers from its foundation. In 1853 the Chapel was rebuilt and reopened free from debt. The Rev Isaac Williams who followed was originally a Baptist minister at Bristol and Wrexham, leaving the latter church through a change in his views, and coming to take charge at Cefn Coed. He died in 1873, and after a period of supplies, the Rev. J. Hathren Davies was ordained minister in 1877, and he lived a life full of activity in church and village for 33 years. He also was a successful schoolmaster from 1871 to 1891, and Editor of the "Ymofynydd" from 1888 to 1900. He died suddenly and a public memorial has been erected to commemorate his long years of unflinching devotion to the welfare of the locality. The interior of the chapel was again renewed, the old pulpit and pews giving place to more modern ones. In 1910 the Rev. J. Carrara Davies was appointed minister and remained until 1918, leaving for Belper, to be followed by the Rev. T. Eric Davies, who removed to Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1926. Since that time the church has been well served by supplies from among the members at home and ministers and lay preachers in the denomination, and this course has been skilfully steered by our able secretary, Mr. Lewis Edwards, and his band of loyal workers. During the last year extensive repairs have been made to our building and the interior has been entirely re-decorated. Our Church is surrounded by a well-kept Burial Ground, and near by is our old fashioned schoolroom, or "The Academy on Steps" as it has been affectionately known to generations of students. Here many ministers of all denominations and professional men who have risen to high places received their early training in the days when our ministers were schoolmasters as well as pastors from necessity as well as from choice. We have acquired a site for a new school, but we cannot proceed further while the present industrial depression affects our people. Our Sunday School is well attended by over a hundred scholars, and the average congregation at our evening worshp is about ninety-five. We have eighty subscribing members and a congregation that is loyal and energetic and with much young life that augurs well for the future of Unitarianism at Cefn Coed.

MRS. J. R. EVANS.

HISTORICAL NOTES

OF THE SOUTH-EAST WALES UNITARIAN SOCIETY.

VII.

The Society has, from time to time, shown a practical interest in the welfare of the Ministers, and it is interesting to recall that during the Presidency of Mr. David R. Llewellyn (now Sir David), 1918-1919, a gratifying response was made, by generous friends, to an appeal made by the President to enable a special bonus to be paid to the Ministers for one year. The sum of £82 2s. 0d. was collected and the amount distributed equally amongst the Ministers in the Society's area, to whom the little

gratuity came as a welcome surprise during a period of food shortage and high prices. Steps were also taken in the financial year 1919-20 to add a good contribution to the National Conference Subvention Fund for the augmentation of Ministers' Stipends, and one noteworthy feature of that movement was the organising of a Denominational Bazaar by the Women's League, and which, held in the West Grove Schoolroom, Cardiff, realized the sum of £225, to which was added a few fairly large sums by some well-known local Unitarians. Prior to this (1914), soon after the appointment of the writer of these notes as Hon. Secretary of the Society, an appeal to our Churches made through the Society met with a handsome response, and the sum of £260 was collected as our quota to enable the Managers of the Sustentation Fund to raise the £50,000 aimed at by them, and which was more than attained. The Managers in their appeal stated that an anonymous friend had promised £50 on condition that Wales contributed a further £200, and it is gratifying to record that the challenge was more than responded to by our area alone. These few facts alone help us to realize the wisdom and foresight of those who moved in inaugurating our Society.

Mention must be made of one of the most impressive and largely attended Meetings ever recorded in the history of the Society, viz., those at Cefn-Coed in October, 1919. The afternoon service on that day took the form of a welcome home to our Soldiers, as well as a Memorial Service to those who had fallen in the Great War. The Roll of Honour, which was read by the Hon. Secretary, contained the names of 228 men, from 17 of our churches, who had served in the War 20 of whom fell in action, or died from the effect of wounds or illness contracted during their period of service.

The two addresses delivered by the Revs. F. Blount Mott and E. R. Dennis, one in English and the other in Welsh, were marked by great pathos and fervour, and left a wonderful impression upon the large gathering. The evening service, when the Chapel was crowded, was equally impressive. The chief speaker at the meeting was the Rev. G. W. Thompson (then of Portsmouth), who delivered an eloquent and memorable address on "The Goal of Humanity." Incidentally it may be mentioned that Mr. Thompson spent the remainder of the Week delivering week-evening addresses at Merthyr, Aberdare, Mountain Ash, Pontypridd and Pentre. The cost of these lectures was defrayed by the B. and F.U.A., and were amongst the most successful ever delivered in our area. The impression left in some of those places remains fresh, even to-day.

More space has been taken up in the Calendar than was originally intended, and it is time to draw this brief sketch to a close. Scant justice has been done to the subject, but we would, in closing, emphasize the necessity which still remains of doing all we possibly can to deepen the spiritual life of our Churches, and to endeavour to foster a more sustained interest in the verities of religion, both of which are most essential to the true welfare of our Churches. Much has been done, much yet remains to be done, and it is to be hoped that a deep searching of hearts is going on amongst our people as to the greatest responsibilities that devolve upon us as members of our Unitarian Churches, the most free of the Liberal Faith.

Increased devotion to the fundamental principles for which our Churches stand is to be earnestly and prayerfully commended. This Society exists, in the last resort, to foster the religious life, to encourage all its best features, and to declare that it is worthy of being maintained at all costs. Our debt to the past is great—the only honourable way of discharging that debt is by earnest zeal and devoted consecration on the part of those of us who are still left.

Concluded.